P. R. O. and to certifie their opinions to your Majite; that thereupon you Colonial Papers. Vol. may proceed according to Justice; for your Petitioner is confi-IX, No. 87. dent that upon a true examination of the fact where it was committed; it will appeare that the said Clayborne and his Servants are guilty of Piracy and murder.

And your Petitioner as in duty bound &c.

[Seizure of Claiborne's property.]

Liber Z. March 27 Cecilius &c to the Sheriff of the Ile of Kent. greeting, we command you that you seise to our vse all the goods & chattells of william Cleyborne gent within yor Iland; and that you keepe them in safe custody vntill you shall have further order from vs therein. Given at S^t maries &c.

[Commission to Robert Wintour.]

Cecilius &c to o' beloved Counsell' Rob' wintour Esq greeting P· 55 whereas the west side of St Georges river is now planted by severall inhabitants and is thought fitt to be erected into a hundred by the name of St Georges hundred we willing to provide for the better conservation of the peace within the said hundred, and reposing especiall trust and confidence in the wisedome judgem^t & well approved expience of you the said Rob^t wint^r have assigned constituted and authorised, and by this o' Commission doe constitute assigne and authorise you to be Justice of or peace within the said hundred, giving vnto you full power and authority to grant warrants, take recognisances to or vse, keepe a record, administer an oath, and to doe vse exequite & exercise all other thing and things act and acts power and powers w^{ch} doe belong to the office of a Justice of peace in England by vertue of his Commission for the peace. And we doe further authorise you from time to time at all times as you shall see cause to make diligent and enquiry after all psons that shall sell or (without licence from vs or our Lieutenant grall) lend or deliver any gunne powder or shott to any Indian, or that shall lodge or enterteine in their house by night any Indian without leave from vs or or Lieutent grall, or from yor selfe first obtained, & the offendor or offendors herein to bind over to answere the same at the next County Court to be held at St Maries. And we doe further authorise you to elect and appoint some able and sufficient freeman within yor hundred to be highe Constable of the same hundred, to went pson so by you elected and nominated we doe hereby give full power and authority to doe and exequute all such acts and powers within the said hundred as vnto the highe Constable of a hundred in England doe or may belong. And